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Control of employment-documents in Prague.

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1. Frequent controls of personal documents are being made once more in the Prague streets and public places. These controls seem to be more-or-less at random, at any time of the day, that is to say no longer predominantly at night. Such checks are made in streets, parks, coffee-houses, restaurants, railroad stations, etc.
2. Any person intercepted without a valid document of employment is hauled by police-cars to the 4th Department in the Bartolomejska street. If, under rigorous questioning, there he is unable to prove that he has regular employment or a legitimate reason for not working, he is brought before a special commission consisting of four members, one of whom is a representative of the Labor-Office of the Regional Nat. Committee (KNV). The Commission directs such persons into the Kladno mining area or to Ostrava and issues him an Employment Order (Pracovni vymer) with which he has to report to labor recruitment office in that area. This Order contains detailed instructions.
3. Anybody who fails to report at the Labor Recruitment office as instructed, becomes subject to an immediate Warrant for arrest and, when captured, gets sent to a Labor Camp for 2 years.

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